

NAVIGATION TOOL FOR SLIDE PRESENTATIONS

Abstract of the Disclosure

A system and method for navigating a computer-based slide show during presentation to an audience. A preferably transparent summary view presents time data for each slide, and depicts each slide as a cell. The contents of each cell visually convey information about the slide. Brushing a cell triggers the display of a thumbnail view of a corresponding slide. Selection of a cell causes a corresponding slide to be displayed; if that slide is not next in a predetermined presentation sequence, then a jump marker is affixed to the cell corresponding to the sequence departure point so the presenter can resume the sequence directly after completing a detour. The summary view can also generate a visual, audible, and vibrational warning of the relative time remaining for a given slide from an initial allotment. The invention can also recompute the allotment for slides not yet displayed, and save time data to a file.